



POSITION DESCRIPTION

Athlete Advisor – Technical Committee

POSITION TITLE: Athlete Advisor

PURPOSE The Athlete Advisor will be responsible for ensuring that the voice and input of current and former athletes is included when applying the Technical Committee Terms of Reference and Regulations through the following actions

KEY

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Support Gymnastics NZ (GNZ) in the development of athlete input and feedback channels that effectively contributes to decision making that has athlete impact.
- Engage with the GNZ Steering Committee regarding the Independent Review to ensure the athlete voice is incorporated at a national and local level where implementation directly impacts athletes.
- Empower athletes to raise matters about any aspect of the endorsed and qualifying competition environment through the available communication channels.
- Club Environment:
 - Work with the GNZ Community Sport and Relationship Managers to support the implementation of all athlete wellbeing policies for athlete support programs

- Engage with the Balance is Better (*B is B*) project team to ensure the athlete voice is incorporated at a national and local level where *B is B* implementation directly impacts athletes.
- In the course of their duties, should matters be raised of a concerning nature, reference and action should be taken in line with GNZ judicial and safeguarding processes.
- National Championships
 - Facilitate an annual Athletes Forum at the National Championships in conjunction with the Event Manager.
- Regular engagement with Gymnastics NZ employees, key stakeholders, advisory groups and the wider Code community.
- Ensure retirement frameworks from competitive pathways are in place, accessible and functioning.
- Regularly connect with the Athletes Advisors of other Technical Committees to share best practice and cross code alignments.
- Work in collaboration with the TC Chairperson to contribute the required athlete wellbeing elements to the draft annual TC Work Plan
- Attend a minimum of three Technical Committee meetings per year and, where required, attend meetings requested by the Gymnastics NZ Board or Chief Executive Officer.

KEY

- TC Chairperson

RELATIONSHIPS

- Competitions Advisor

ATTRIBUTES
CONSIDERED

- Active or recently retired athlete with close current ties to the code and a strong understanding of the competitive training and competition environment.
- Minimum age of 18.
- Demonstrated collegial, collaborative, and effective relationships within the Code and wider gymnastics community.
- Experience or qualification working with young athletes.
- Excellent organization, administration, and planning skills.
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills.
- Sport knowledge and understanding of the Code.